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Afterhours Internet Lab

Chris Downs
Staff Writer

Saint Leo College is riding the wave change when it comes to updating its technological capacity.

The office of Student Affairs has recently opened a new student-run computer lab in the lower level of the Canon Memorial Library.

Students Matt Wallace and Robert Norris are in charge of the lab and are part of a seven-person staff of technicians. These technicians are available to help students who are unfamiliar with computers and to trouble shoot equipment problems as they arise.

Professors will not hold classes in the new computer lab. They will continue to hold COM 131, the computer literacy course required as a part of Basic Studies, in the two existing computer labs.

All computers in the new lab have access to the Internet, so students can check their E-mail and surf the Web whenever they choose.

Students have found this new lab a great convenience. Senior Mike Cunningham said " I like it because my computer is not very fast on the Internet and the computers in the lab are state of the art."

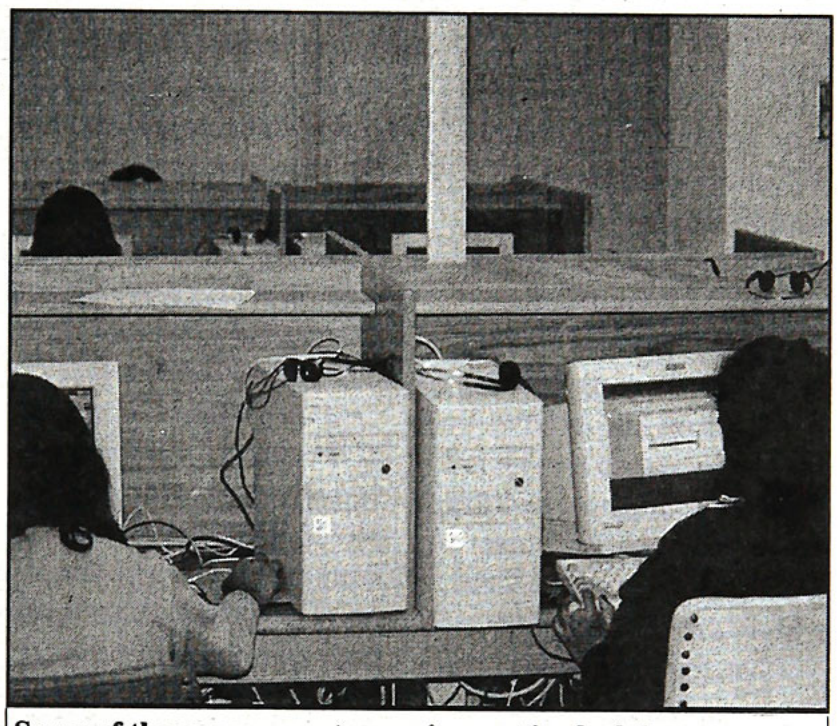
Yet, Internet access is not the only program on these computers. They also have word processing programs and cd-rom capacity, for those who own games or programs only available on cd-rom. Finally, a laser printer is also available to print out hard copy of written work or research.

Something else that is convenient about this lab is that there is no limit to the amount of time spent on the computers, and, of course, there is no charge.

Saint Leo students are impressed with this addition."I think that the new computer room will be helpful to many students and I love the new hours!" Caryn Kellyman.

Periodically, technicians will hold workshops in the new lab that teach students computer skills, such as building their own Web page, learning various programs, or simply more effeciently using the Internet. This lab is open Sunday through Thursday from 8:00am to 2:00am. On Fridays and Saturdays, it is open from 8:00am to midnight.

So, come and check it out!



Some of the new computer equipment in the lab

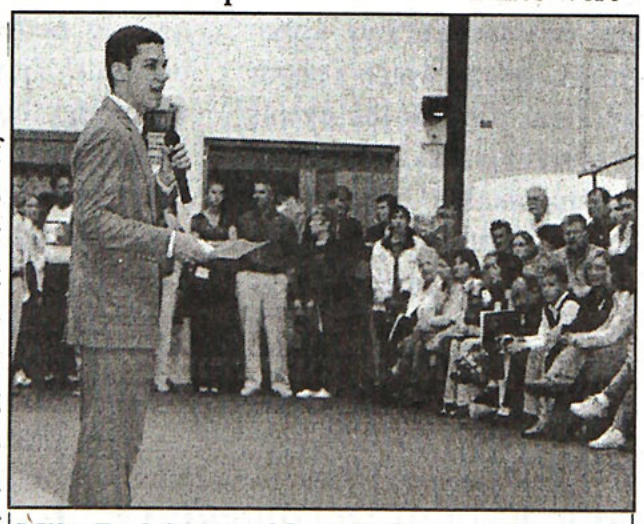
Team Saint Leo hosts a successful Open House

Sharon Wormser
Staff Writer

The only open house for this semester fell on Saturday, February 28. The Office of Admissions had effectively scheduled the events for the day, but they had not planned for the torrential rain that drenched students, faculty, administrators, and visitors.

The day was supposed to begin with half hour tours of the campus conducted by STAR members; however, most of these tours were canceled due to the heavy rain. Despite this setback at the onset of the day, spirits were still high, and the visitors seemed to enjoy mingling with students and other families. Around 11:30 a.m., the assembly of parents and potential students was addressed by Gary Bracken and Mike Rodriquez. Then the families were assignedto groups and herded off to different buildings. Here any of their questions were answered by a board of Saint Leo College students and faculty.

Following lunch the parents were separated from their sons or daughters.



Mike Rodriquez addresses the assembly.

They were further divided into smaller groups and given another chance to have their questions answered. Around 3:00 p.m., the parents and their progeny were rejoined for the Academic Affair; this panel consisted of faculty members from each field .

According to Gary Bracken, Dean of Admissions, "The open house was one of the most positive experiences I have ever had in admissions. Not only was the attendence terrific, but the way in which everyone on campus did whatever was neccessary to make the event successful was particularly pleasing and showed team Saint Leo at its best."

Everyone was in agreement that despite the wet conditions, the open house was successful due to the efforts of many members of Saint Leo College.

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Monarch Review

Movie Review: *The Wedding Singer*

Rosina Ermilio
Staff Writer

If you are about to get married or just thinking about it, you need to see this movie.

It is a celebration of two people in love who have hired a wedding singer (played by Adam Sandler) to sing at their wedding. During his performance, he announced that he is engaged and getting married the following week. At this event the limo driver, one of the Sandler's friends who preys upon females that serve dinner at wedding receptions, is introduced. He makes a sexist remark about the new girl (played by Drew Barrymore). It turns out that she is engaged also.

The following week, it is the Wedding Singer's turn to have a celebration of his own, and his wife-to-be was running a little late. Yet, his fiance ran so late that she didn't show up at all.

In my opinion if you are in the mood for a romantic comedy, this is the perfect movie for you. Though I would probably say that it is more of a chick flick, it does have something for everyone. So, I give *The Wedding Singer* four out of five stars.

Music Review: Blues Traveler

Chris Downs
Staff Writer

Blues Traveler's latest album, *Straight On 'Till Morning,* experiments with instrumentation and musical styles that one would not expect to hear on a blues album.

The acoustic ballad, "Yours," for example, features an orchestral arrangement written by lead vocalist, John Popper and played by a thirteen-piece string section.

Additionally, Make My Way" features a background vocal part that sounds like it's being sung by a gospel choir.

Along with these uncharacterstic tracks, *Straight On 'Till Morning* also includes more conventional songs. Up-tempo tunes like "Carolina Blues," "Psycho Joe," and "Great Big World" will appeal to those who like guitar-intensive blues.

If listeners don't mind putting up with a little Bach while they boogie, they should enjoy *Straight On 'Till Morning.*

Exhibit Review: Titanic, St. Petersburg

Amanda Camp
Layout Editor
Jamie Palandro
Staff Writer

"Extra, Extra, Greatest Ship Ever, the Titanic sinks, 1500 perish in the cold, dark Atlantic." These words made headlines across the world. The time was April, 1912 when the unsinkable sunk. The Titanic was built in Ireland and was the "largest, grandest ship in scale and size" of its time. There were approximately 2,200 passengers aboard the Titanic when it left South Hampton, England, and only 700 survived its would-be journey to New York. The Titanic exhibit at the Florida International Museum, located in downtown St. Petersburg, captures the true essence of that fateful early morning in April.

If you visit the museum, you will first experience the history of the Titanic through headphones. After listening to a brief introduction, you are lead into a theatre where you watch a short, historical film on the events surrounding the sinking of the unsinkable ship. From there, the full effect of this experience begins. As you "board" the Titanic and walk from room to room, you're able to see how the passengers lived, if only for a short time, on this grand ship. Every room in the exhibit accurately portrays the accommodations of Titanic itself. For instance, when you walk into the cafe, everything, from the china to the pots and pans to the actual food that would have been served, is displayed. Afterwards, there's nothing better than walking out onto Titanic's deck and watching the stars as they would have looked on that infamous night so long ago. Also, throughout the exhibit, you can view artifacts such as jewelry, clothing, and other personal items brought on board the Titanic. Along with these mementos, you can take a step closer to experiencing the loss of the Titanic through the many photographs and murals depicting the images of passengers fortunate enough to be lowered onto life boats.

> "The largest, grandest ship in scale and size of its time."
> **-Titanic Exhibit Documentary**

If you have not experienced this exhibit, don't worry, there's still time. The Titanic will remain in port at the Florida International Museum, in St. Petersburg, until May 30. Boarding for this two hour crossing takes place daily between 9 am and 6 pm. The tickets cost $13.00 per passenger ,with exceptions to large groups. For further information, you can call (813) 821-1448. Bon Voyage!

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Alumni Profiles

Life After Saint Leo

Dr. Stephen Baglione
Newspaper Advisor

Northern New Jersey and Saint Leo have little in common, yet it is a perfect fit for Linda D'Abramo. Linda came to Saint Leo looking for a quality education in a school comparable to her high school in size, one that would afford close interaction among students and with faculty. After four years at Saint Leo, she is a permanent Florida resident. The transition was mitigated by the many friends that she made at Saint Leo, friends who are still a part of her life. It was because of one of those friends she recently visited the campus: a friend's wedding. The visit brought back good memories. The "beauty and serenity of the campus" are still inspiring.

Linda D'Abramo

Linda graduated from Saint Leo with a business administration degree with a concentration in restaurant and hotel management in 1996.

Her childhood fascination with hotels during family vacations became the impetus for a career. The internships required in her major reinforced her decision. Her first internship was done at a hotel in New Jersey where she "worked the front desk and was a concierge." Her second was at Saddlebrook, rotating among departments. Mrs. Olsen, the professor, "was more like a friend." Although rigorous in the classroom, she was always concerned for the students as individuals. That faculty concern started during her freshman year with Dr. Arnold as her mentor. Three years later when she took a class taught by Dr. Arnold, he still remembered her. As the student government representative from the Tri Sigma sorority, Linda honed her skills as a liaison.

After graduating, she traveled to a family wedding in Canada and then a vacation to the Grand Canyon. Upon returning, a friend suggested a hotel in Clearwater for employment. She was hired shortly after sending her resume. That job led to a better job with Disney in hotel reservations. She eventually wants to work in convention services, coordinating everything to ensure a convention goes smoothly. If planning a Disney vacation seems daunting, with 16 resorts and four theme parks, one phone call to Linda will alleviate your fears and make for a fulfilling, rewarding experience.

Dr. Baglione
Newspaper Advisor

Close your eyes and think about what you enjoyed most as a child. Now think about someone paying you for doing that! Deb Kelly is living her childhood fantasy. She was the child chasing the fire truck or police car to report to friends and family.

As a reporter for Metro Networks, you have probably heard Deb report on the traffic, news, sports, or weather. Metro Networks provides reports for local radio and television stations from its offices at the Airport Marriott. Deb is also a DJ on Oldies 106 on Saturday night. She reported for WHNZ News 570 A.M.; covered the vice president's speech in Tampa; the Bucs; Grand Prix races; natural disasters. Her coverage of a natural disaster in 1997 won her an Achievement in Radio award from the March of Dimes. It "is like painting a picture in people's minds of things that are happening."

Deb came to Saint Leo College from Michigan in 1986. The history, academics, and open expanse of Saint Leo brought her here, but it was the faculty's attention that kept her here. Deb came from a traditional, Catholic high school and Dr. Edmonds' in jeans, boots, beard, pony tail, and sun glasses was an anomaly but not only in appearance. He inspired her to be who she wanted to be, to realize her dreams. Bored with the class's reading material, Deb asked for something more challenging. Dr. Edmonds suggested "Catcher in the Rye," a book Deb still recalls fondly. She still keeps in contact with many Alpha Sigma sorority members.

For current students, Deb offers this advice: network constantly. Her jobs in radio and television are all a product of networking, friends recommending her.

If something is happening in Tampa, Deb is reporting on it. Deb wants to eventually work in a larger market as a news anchor for a radio station. Given her experiences and successes, it is only a matter of time.

Faculty column: Dr. Rimanelli

Go to Europe in May With a New Inexpensive Basic Studies Course

Dr. Marco Rimanelli, Associate Professor in Political Science and fluent in French and Italiam, will offer an inexpensive May Session course, HUM 200 "Special Topic: Overseas Study," for 3 credit hours through Saint Leo's Weekend College and transferable to Main Campus transcripts. The cost break-down of this 18-day Overseas Tour to Paris, Florence, and Rome is $1,950 (all-included with tax) + $372 ($124 per credit hour for Weekend College course) making it a total cost of **$2,322 all included**. The tour price includes round-trip air-fare, 6 train trips, hotels (double occupancy with breakfast and dinner), and International Student ID Cards (gives travel discounts plus health insurance). The dates for the tour are May 6 to May 25. **Course registration is mandatory for current Saint Leo students and must be completed before Friday, April 3.**

Mandatory requirements for all are 1) avoid disorderly/drunken conduct and 2) attend every day tour (evenings are free).

Remember to register before **April 3** and make checks payable to Dr. Rimanelli for $1,950 due by April 3. See Janet (St. Edwards, room 125) for course registration and the payment deadline. If you have any questions, please see Dr. Rimanelli in St. Edwards Hall, room 324, or at ext. 8277.

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THE APRIL FOOLS

The following essays are purely works of fiction

Jen Watson
Expository Writing

People can change. We all know and expect this. But when a person undergoes a complete alteration of her attitude and appearance, it tends to shock people. What has recently happened to Sharon Wormser certainly has shocked the entire campus.

Last Wednesday as Sharon was on her way to take a test in her Far Eastern Civilizations class, an extraordinary event occurred. From out of the clear blue sky, a lightening bolt came shooting down and struck poor Sharon. As concerned people came rushing over to see if she was alright, she casually rose up and began to quote ancient Japanese philosophers. Everyone present thought that this was rather strange, but merely passed it off as she was just disoriented, and therefore, in a daze. This was not considered abnormal to those people who knew Sharon well.

Now, you would expect a phenomenon like this to have an affect on a person. She may decide to change a few things in her life. An incident like this is not to be shrugged off lightly. But in absolutely no way did anyone foresee what would happen to poor Sharon next.

The next day, Sharon went to her classes dressed all in black. She said not a word to anyone, save to quote Japanese philosophers. We soon found out that Sharon now believed that she was the reincarnation of a Japanese ninja warrior. She began spending her free time divided between meditating and training. Sharon even went so far as to change her major to philosophy with a minor in history. She stated that "It has been decided that my future lies in this time. I must learn about this new world so that I may live in harmony with it." Sharon has begun to build up a collection of the weapons of a traditional Japanese ninja warrior and is constantly seen practicing to use them effectively.

So for future reference, do not get on Sharon's bad side. She may still be four foot nothing, but this little girl could do some serious damage. Also, the nickname "Shorty" should not be used in her presence. The last person to call her that ended up in the hospital with four broken ribs and a concussion. Sayonara.

Amber Enrille
Expository Writing

Anyone who has ever had Dr. Ernie Williams for Philosophy of Love can identify with his ridiculous ground rules. On the first day of class, students are handed a pale pink sheet of paper stating specific laws that they must abide by. Now, Ernie apparently has defrosted his cold heart. He recently decided to abolish those strict regulations.

Yesterday, Ernie spent all day typing up a letter to each of his students informing them that the ground rules have been thrown out. From now on, Ernie's Philosophy of Love class will be conducted without any hassles. No longer will students be required to attend every class meeting. In fact, if any student is ever absent from class, not only will he be excused, but will also have the liberty of calling Ernie and finding out what was missed. As for applauding every time a student participates in class, Ernie has decided that loud clapping will disturb the students who are sleeping, so that is not such a good idea. Last, but not least, our dear Ernie really didn't mean it when he insisted on no side shows. He loves to be entertained and encourages students to speak out. While shopping at Publix last evening, I ran into Ernie. His exact thoughts on the situation were, "The ground rules were really my mentor's idea, Dr. Mark Edmonds. Edmonds uses the rules on his dogs and says they are extremely obedient. So, I figured if dogs can be trained, I guess my students

Jamie Palandro
Expository Writing

Well citizens of Saint Leo, the blood tests are in. Joel Murray is the bouncing baby boy of Dr. Mark Edmonds and Ms. Maura Snyder. The story unfolds in the year 1969, Dr.Edmonds was in the military and Ms. Snyder was in the USO. The moment that Dr. Edmonds walked into the dance hall, he was in love. They danced all night, both knowing that Dr. Edmonds had orders to ship out in the morning. They spent the hours after the dance walking the streets talking, (we really don't need to get into the events leading up to Joel). With promises of coming back for Ms. Snyder, Dr. Edmonds boarded the bus to his next mission. When months went by without hearing from her beloved, Ms. Snyder started to get scared.

Years went by and Ms. Snyder did what she had to do to care for her son. She started teaching here at Saint Leo College. As time went on, she began to forget her true love, that is, until the stranger came into town. She couldn't believe her eyes; it was her beloved. The only problem was that he didn't remember her. No, it wasn't the "girl in every port syndrome," he had lost his memory. The once clean-cut soldier whom she met and danced with all night with was now a biker, with long hair and a scruffy beard. She didn't know what to do, except to tell him about that night and about their son. The moment he laid his eyes upon Joel, he knew, he remembered everything. Although, once Ms. Snyder started asking for child support, Dr.Edmonds' memory began lapsing again. But, the blood test took care of that temporary amnesia.

The father-son reunion was magical. Dr. Edmonds is trying to make up for lost time. He just bought Joel a Moped, so they can bond while riding together. (Joel is still having problems controlling the moped, but his crashes are getting fewer.) As for Ms. Snyder and Dr. Edmonds, they are adding fuel to their fire. They plan to wed this summer at a small civil ceremony, Joel will be the ring bearer. When asked about the pending nuptials, Joel exclaimed, "I finally have a father. I couldn't be happier." Ms. Snyder says, " My true love has finally returned to me, I'm so happy I could cry. I can't wait for the wedding. We are going to drive off into the sunset on his bike. I bought a leather jacket just for the occasion." Rumor has it, besides the leather jacket, Ms. Snyder will be wearing a short leather mini skirt, a black mesh crop top, and black leather stilettos. Dr. Edmonds says that he's looking forward to the honeymoon, which will be during "Bike Week" in Daytona.

ESSAY SHOWCASE

Amanda Camp
Layout Editor

Recently, after visiting the Kennedy Space Center, Mike Dudomaine and fellow earthling David Hall were chosen to participate in the first-ever intergalactic "Race in Space." They will be competing on April 16, 1998, against aliens from all over the universe. In the Milky Way Galaxy, Lisa Martian will run for Mars; Jackie Brown will run for Jupiter, and Amber Enrille will run for Uranus. Other galaxies participating include the M&M, Snickers, and Reeses.

Contestants will be suited up in full astronaut gear and expected to run from the International Space Station Center to the Moon and back again.

Wil Smith and Tommy Lee Jones will perform the opening ceremony, and Jim Carey will be the official race commentator.

Afterwards, everyone will meet in the Enterprise Room for a dinner banquet, catered by Jabba the Hut, and an awards ceremony. The winner of the race will receive his very own Infinity spacecraft, and the runner-up will get a date with Princess Leia.

Let's all help support our own represent Earth in this crusading event by attending this momentous event! Remember, Saint Leo students, to look for further details and information in your local **Monarch**. Until then, we wish you guys the best of luck from all of us

Christina Quintanilla
Expository Writing

President Kirk announced the celebration of Saint Leo's first annual homecoming of the College's long-lost cows. Yes it was confirmed at the Cow Patty Bingo last Saturday held at the soccer field.

Old Spotty and kids have found their way to the campus. It is reported that the natural phenomena 'El Nino had initially disoriented the cows from their shelter across the street at the Abbey Golf Course. The flooding created such heavy currents that the cows were literally carried back to the campus. The cows were seen floating down Curley Street, down past the Priory, and into the gutter running alongside SR52. As the soccer team went on its daily jog, it recognized the Alma Mater's lost children and decided to rescue them from the rushing waters. Saint Leo could never thank the guys enough and decided that the soccer team should be honored for their heroic act by treating them to the finest home-grown cow patties on their field! The excitement spread campus-wide and everyone wanted a piece of the action. Following the reception at the soccer field was a parading of the cows over every square foot of the campus. Administrators, faculty, students, and even weekend-college students, who came and camped out, rallied and shouted with endless excitement. Everyone wanted nothing less than his very own cow patty. To the cows' dismay their fans and admirers did go overboard and even lost control at times. The paramedics were called in after a few students passed out from the overwhelming moment, or was it the smell, hmm? There was even an incident that involved several students arguing and punching each other over whose cow patty had the better texture, color, and even taste! Yikes! The most outrageous of the fans was one who decided to hold one of the cows hostage, carrying it to the top of the Abbey and wouldn't give in until he was rewarded with his own cow patty. Aside from these disturbances, the day ended with a light note. As the clouds moved in, the sky darkened, and the rain came down all of the cow patties, combined with the trampling by the cows, produced a massive mud-patty hole in the circle. Everyone who was anyone was there joining in the mud wrestling and having fun in the mud!

Amber Ernest
Expository Writing

There have been many strange and otherworldly sightings made by myself on this campus. When I lived in Marmion Hall, I would often sight a strange manlike fox, or perhaps it was a fox like man. After many and many a month of seeing this creature, I decided to speak to it. I found out his name was Riesling. I just call him Ling. Ling and I often just sit in the vale of the two hills behind Marmion, and drink coffee, and fish. Unfortunately for me, Ling eats the mutated fish from the lake. The mutated fish is one of the other sightings I've had. The first one I caught didn't look that different, except that it glowed. I haven't seen any more glowing fish, but I have seen three and four eyed fish.

Once I saw a huge alien ship parked in the middle of the circle, and a little alien dude staring up at me. Then I must have blacked out again because all I remember after that was a splitting headache and no spaceship. But the very next day, Plant Operations was digging up all the trees and leaving huge holes in the ground, which were guarded by backhoes and other hulking construction vehicles. I can only assume that it is an attempt by the aliens to kill off all the life on the planet. I figure that they didn't want to alarm the humans, so they decided to take a less noticeable route of destruction: all over the world the aliens made stops and told all the gardening tradesmen to dig up the trees, so that there would be no more oxygen produced, and everything on the planet would suffocate.

Those are the only sightings I've had, but I've heard tell of many more. I heard that there are multiple ghosts roaming the halls of a great many of our dorms. I have also heard that there is a Saint Leo axe murderer. What I've heard about him is that he lurks around the same area as Ling but jumps out at unsuspecting freshmen, guts their bodies, puts them on display in that abandoned building till they start to reek, then he throws them in the lake. All I can say about that is thank God I'm no longer a freshman.

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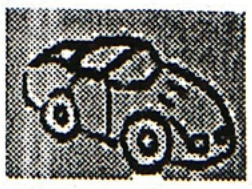
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Sports

From the Sports Desk

Justin Godfrey
Photography Editor

I stumbled across a short news story in *Sports Illustrated*. A high school senior in Rhode Island based his choice of a college on which schools had Adidas as their team shoes. That started me thinking on the whole idea of college sports and the purpose they have in a person's life.

The problem I have with college sports today is that they takes away from part of a student's education. High school students decide on colleges that have the best chance of getting them a shot at the pros, and not the one that will give them the best education.

There are another host of factors that make it harder for athletes to achieve in the classroom. Practices and competitions take away from study time and even class time. Here at Saint Leo, I heard a baseball player complain once about the number of road trips he had by saying, "I want to go to class sometime during this semester."

I applaud all those students who have maintained their grades while playing a sport, but it seems an unfair burden to place on

Baseball Team is Booming!

Justin Godfrey
Photography Editor

On March 24, the Saint Leo Baseball team did something they hadn't done in almost two weeks, they lost. The Monarchs split a double header, beating Columbus State 8-2 at home and then losing to Eckard College, 11-10, on the road. Even the win snapped a mini-streak of sorts. The 8-2 victory ended a string of ten straight games in which the Monarchs had put 10 or more runs on the scoreboard.

The team has a record of 25-8 (2-1 in the Sunshine State Conference), and have bashed their way to a number 8 ranking in the country. They are led by the bats of designated hitter Jason Linkes, centerfielder Allen Dina, and right fielder Matt Gifford. Linkes is third in the conference in home runs with 11, twelfth in hits with 41, and sixth in runs batted in with 41. Dina, a senior, leads the conference in batting average, triples, and runs. He has also set a Saint Leo single season record with twelve triples.

Gifford, who is a two-time batting champ in the SSC, is third in the league in hits and first in doubles. Overall, the team is leading the conference in hitting and already has hit 48 homeruns and scored 301 runs. The pitching staff has done their job as well, pitching to a team earned run average of 4.96, and striking out 226 opponents. They have kept the team in the game long enough for the bats to win it. Seniors Chad Liggins and Travis Jenke have been the most consistent starters and juniors Pat Bowen and Ted Fijalkowski have done their job coming out of the bullpen.

As the team begins its conference play, the deciding factor in the season will be the pitching staff. They will have to start walking fewer batters and giving up fewer home runs. And, the pitchers will have to continue doing what is required of them in order for the Monarchs to have any shot at the post-season.

Softball team is 3-2!

Sean Golden
Sports Editor

At the half way point of the season, the Saint Leo Softball team is 3-2 in the conference and 17-19 overall. Desiree Croteau and Anne Freeburg are leading the team in hitting. Croteau is batting .342, and Freeburg is batting .301. Croteau is also second in hitting, first in doubles, and third in triples in the Sunshine State Conference.

The most recent games for the Monarchs include a 2-0 shut out and a 6-2 loss in a double header with Florida Tech. Next the Monarchs lost both games to former SSC Conference rivals University of North Florida.

The Monarchs next travel to Georgia to participate in the Columbus State Invitational Tournament.

Fish in our Lake Jovita?

Sean Golden
Sports Editor

The first annual Saint Leo College "Go Fish" Fishing Derby was held during Spring Fling Weekend. The three participants all had a good time. Jason Zelesky, one of the tournaments sponsors won in all three categories of the tournament. Trophies were supposed to be awarded for the first fish, the biggest fish, and the most fish. Well, Jason caught the only fish ,which was a half pound bream. The other participants were Justin Lang, a Benoit resident, and, myself, Sean Golden, the other sponsor of the tournament. Justin said that, " It was cold and the fishing was not quite up to par."

The tournament took place on Sunday March 23 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. The participants toured around Lake Jovita in a little jon boat hitting all the little fishing spots.

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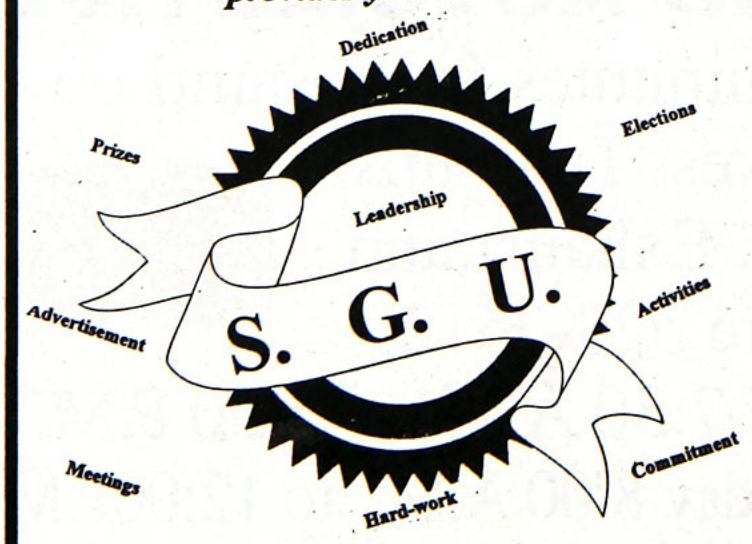

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Sports

Female Profile: Desiree Croteau, Softball

Justin Godfrey
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Desiree Croteau

Last season, the Saint Leo softball team placed their entire season on the arm of then junior Anne Freeburg. This year has been a different story. Freshman sensation Desiree Croteau has arrived and taken the burden of leading the Monarch's pitching staff.

Croteau has accepted the role of ace of the pitching staff and has pitched 180 innings as of March 23. She has pitched to a record of 12-13, and both of these stats have placed her among the leaders of the Sunshine State Conference (SSC).

Croteau has also made her presence known at the plate. Batting fourth in the lineup for the Monarchs, this freshman from Dade City is second in hits and first in doubles in the SSC.

Despite struggling at the plate, the Monarchs are just a few games under .500 at 17-19 (2-1 in the SSC). Croteau will lead the Monarchs to a strong second half of the season, and it is possible that they could see post-season action for the first time in years. Good luck girls!

Male Profile: Jason Linkes, Baseball

Justin Godfrey
Photography Editor

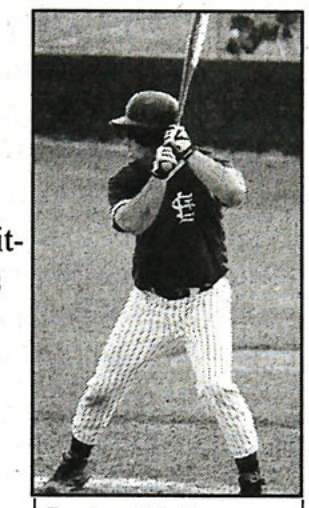
Name: Jason Linkes

Class: Junior

Position/Team:
Designated Hitter, First Base/ Men's Baseball

Major: Marketing

Hometown:
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania


Jason Linkes

So far this season the Saint Leo baseball team has led the Sunshine State Conference in hitting and homeruns. Leading that charge has been junior Jason Linkes, whose .449 average and 11 homeruns have him among the league leaders in both categories. He credits his teammates with part of his success, "A lot of people have been getting hits on this team, and I'm seeing a lot of good pitches right now."

Last year Linkes was hampered by an elbow injury he sustained during his sophomore year that led to off-season surgery. "Personally I think a big part of my success is that I'm healthy. I think I came back a little too early from elbow surgery last year and wasn't totally healthy."

Despite his huge numbers he doesn't think he is at one-hundred percent of his capability, "I don't have the wrist speed I had before [the injury], but it is a lot quicker than last year."

Linkes thinks that this year's team has an excellent shot at the post season, "Winning the conference is our goal, but first we have to concentrate on making the playoffs. If we play hard, good things will happen."

Sunshine State Conference Softball Standings

(through 3/22/98)

	CONFERENCE		OVERALL	
TEAM	**W**	**L**	**W**	**L**
Florida Southern	9	1	26	7
Florida Tech	6	4	20	10
Rollins	4	2	16	3
Saint Leo	**3**	**2**	**17**	**19**
Tampa	2	4	7	9
Barry	1	2	17	10
Eckerd	0	10	7	18
*Lynn	0	0	3	22

*not eligible for a conference win until 1998-99 school year.

Wanted: Letters to the Editor

Do you have any opinions about student life on Saint Leo Campus? Drop submissions off at the Monarch office in deChantal Hall.

April Events

4/1 April Fool's Day
May Housing Session
GREEK WEEK
4/2 Intramural Soccer Scrimmage Co-Ed Teams
"The King and I"
4/4 Best Buddies Easter Cookout, 11-3pm
Trout Creek Canoe Shuffle, Outdoor Recreation
4/6 Advance Registration for Summer and Fall
SGU Meeting, 6-7pm
Intramural Soccer Tournament
RHA Easter Gram Sale (cont. this week)
4/7 Intramural Soccer Tournament
4/8 SGU Comedy Night, 9-11pm
Intramural Soccer Tournament
Fall 1998 Room Selection (this week)
4/9 Holy Thursday
Intramural Soccer Tournament
4/10 Good Friday-No Classes/ Offices Closed
Whitewater Rafting, Outdoor Rec. and Outdoors Club
4/11 PASSOVER
SGU Trip to Wild Waters, 11am-7pm
Whitewater Rafting, Outdoor Rec. and Outdoors Club
4/12 EASTER SUNDAY
Whitewater Rafting, Outdoor Rec. and Outdoors Club
4/13 SGU Meeting, 6-7pm
Intramural Tennis Tournament
4/14 "Rent"-Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, 6-11pm
Intramural Tennis Tournament
4/15 Hall Government Elections (this week)
4/16 Honors Senior Presentations: Raleigh Greene Room, 6pm
Student Organization President's Roundtable Meeting, 12:30-1:30pm
4/18 Saint Gilbert's Regatta (Build Your Own Boat), 11am-7pm
4/19 SGU Trip to Epcot, 11am-8pm
Trivial Pursuit Tournament, Student Activities, 8-11pm (thru 4/21)
4/24 LAST DAY OF CLASSES

A Note from the Yearbook Staff

Marna Dunn
Yearbook Staff

The staff of the 1998 Golden Legend has been working diligently on the production of this yearbook. We have expanded it from 80 pages to 176 pages, added pictures of underclassmen, faculty, group shots of clubs and organizations, and team pictures of all intercollegiate sports, not to mention a large student life and community section. We have met all deadlines and have completed over half the book. In order to cover commencement, the final deadline will be in mid-May, therefore you can expect to see the yearbook in late August or early September.

The theme of the 1998 Golden Legend is "Unity Builds Community" and will be dedicated to the late Dr. James Horgan. We welcome any help from students, faculty, staff, and administration. For more information on how to assist or order a book, please contact Tracey Snyder, Yearbook Advisor, at x8857 in deChantal Hall, rm#16.

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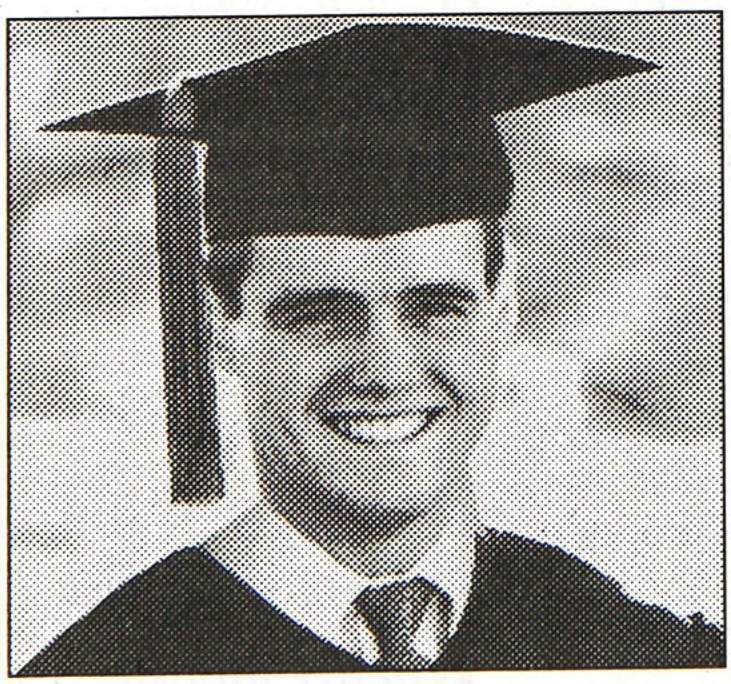

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